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## A Call to Christians: Addressing the "Race Problem"

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The following is a letter I wrote this past February during Black History Month to fellow Christians engaged in the culture wars with me:

Dear \_\_\_\_\_:

This being Black History Month, I felt compelled to share some thoughts with all of you mostly white conservative Republican evangelical and Catholic Christians. Please take these thoughts in love and prayerfully consider what I have to say.

The Lord has laid three fundamental passions on my heart: 1) Protecting the dignity and sanctity of human life, 2) Defending and preserving the institution of marriage, and 3) Promoting racial reconciliation in the church and culture. All of you are on board with #'s 1 & 2, but few of you likely feel the passion I do about #3. Yet, I think the success of #'s 1 & 2 depends in large part on our success in #3. Let me explain.